

Group III includes claims 17-27, which are drawn to a method of making the semiconductor device, classified in class 438, subclass 106.

REMARKS

This Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action mailed October 19, 2001. Claims 1-9 are pending in this application. Applicants respectfully request early and favorable acceptance of this Application.

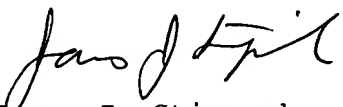
CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request consideration and allowance of claims 1-9.

While no fees are believed due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 501086.

If there are matters which can be discussed by telephone to further the prosecution of this Application, Applicant invites the Examiner to call the undersigned attorney at the Examiner's convenience.

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